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Highlights

- Upland cotton prices averaged 66 cents per pound, up 21 cents from May 2009. Soybean prices averaged \$8.70 per bushel, down \$1.50 from May 2009.
- Covington County ranks first in the number of all cattle and calves in Mississippi with a total of 37,300 on January 1, 2010.
- Sweet Potato production totaled 1,265,000 in 2009, down 62 percent from the previous year.

Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, by Selected States and United States, 2009 and Forecasted June 1, 2010

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2009	2010	2009	2010		2009	2010
				May 1	June 1		
	1,000 Acres			Bushels		1,000 Bushels	
Arkansas	390	170	44.0	52.0	52.0	17,160	8,840
California	315	380	80.0	70.0	70.0	25,200	26,600
Georgia	250	130	42.0	48.0	44.0	10,500	5,720
Illinois	820	325	56.0	60.0	59.0	45,920	19,175
Indiana	450	280	67.0	68.0	68.0	30,150	19,040
Kansas	8,800	8,200	42.0	42.0	43.0	369,600	352,600
Mississippi	165	130	50.0	50.0	50.0	8,250	6,500
Missouri	730	310	47.0	46.0	46.0	34,310	14,260
North Carolina	600	400	49.0	46.0	46.0	29,400	18,400
Ohio	980	750	72.0	72.0	72.0	70,560	54,000
Oklahoma	3,500	3,900	22.0	33.0	33.0	77,000	128,700
South Carolina	150	135	47.0	46.0	43.0	7,050	5,805
Tennessee	340	180	51.0	56.0	56.0	17,340	10,080
Texas	2,450	3,500	25.0	35.0	35.0	61,250	122,500
Virginia	210	175	58.0	63.0	63.0	12,180	11,025
United States	34,485	31,786	44.2	45.9	46.6	1,522,718	1,482,364

**Sweet Potatoes: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield and
Production, by State and United States, 2008-2009**

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Acres			
Alabama	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.3
Arkansas ¹	NA	3.0	NA	2.5
California	14.8	17.4	14.8	17.4
Florida ¹	NA	3.3 *	NA	3.2 *
Louisiana	15.0	14.0	11.0	12.0
Mississippi	20.0	20.0	19.5	11.0
New Jersey	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
North Carolina	47.0	47.0	46.0	46.0 *
South Carolina ²	0.6	NA	0.5	NA
Texas	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.3
Virginia ²	0.3	NA	0.3	NA
United States	103.2	109.9 *	97.3	96.9 *
State	Yield		Production	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
	Cwt		1,000 Cwt	
Alabama	175	170	438	391
Arkansas ¹	NA	185	NA	463
California	295	340	4,366	5,916
Florida ¹	NA	110	NA	352 *
Louisiana	100	135	1,100	1,620
Mississippi	172	115	3,354	1,265
New Jersey	125	110	150	132
North Carolina	190	200	8,740	9,200 *
South Carolina ²	110	NA	55	NA
Texas	140	100	210	130
Virginia ²	100	NA	30	NA
United States	190	201	18,443	19,469 *

* Revised.

NA Not available.

¹ Estimates began in 2009.² Estimates discontinued in 2009.

**Upland Cotton and Rice: Prices Received and Marketings,
United States, May 2010, with Comparisons**

Item	Unit	May 2009 ¹	April 2010 ¹	May 2010 ²
Cotton, Upland				
Average Price	Dollars per Pound	0.449	0.662	0.643
Marketings ³	1,000 Bales	462	465	NA
Rice, All				
Average Price	Dollars per Cwt	14.60	13.80	14.10
Marketings ⁴	1,000 Cwt	8,069	12,130	NA

¹ Entire month.² Based on purchases for the first half of the month.³ Marketings based on a survey of cotton buyers in the major producing States – AL, AZ, AR, CA, GA, LA, MS, NC, TN, and TX.⁴ Purchases by private firms and rice (rough equivalent) shipped by cooperatives.

Mississippi Cotton Average Yields, 2005-2009

County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (lbs.)	County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (lbs.)
Bolivar	4	902	Attala	5	714
Coahoma	5	938	Carroll	5	861
Quitman	5	985	Holmes	5	849
Tallahatchie	4	969	Madison	5	776
Tunica	5	903	Montgomery	5	779
District 10	5	931	Rankin	3	738
Benton	1	655	Webster	5	717
Calhoun	5	658	District 50	5	805
Desoto	2	894	Chickasaw	2	591
Grenada	3	734	Lowndes	4	572
Lafayette	4	777	Monroe	4	531
Panola	5	753	Noxubee	5	768
Tate	5	871	District 60	5	595
Yalobusha	4	785	Claiborne	1	1,029
District 20	5	756	Hinds	4	740
Alcorn	1	560	Jefferson	3	905
Lee	1	511	Warren	3	924
Pontotoc	1	742	District 70	4	861
Prentiss	2	632	District 90	1	751
Tishomingo	1	829	Other Districts	5	653
Union	1	812	State Average	5	859
District 30	5	660			
Humphreys	5	909			
Issaquena	5	815			
Leflore	5	922			
Sharkey	5	943			
Sunflower	5	908			
Washington	5	869			
Yazoo	5	824			
District 40	5	888			

The Agency did not publish a yield for every county each year. Whenever publication of county yields would reveal individual data, publication was suspended.

Mississippi Top Ten Cattle Producing Counties, 2010

County	All Cattle and Calves	County	All Cattle and Calves
	Number		Number
Covington	37,300	Tate	22,800
Hinds	27,500	Lincoln	22,600
Walthall	26,400	Clay	22,400
Jones	24,700	Pike	21,600
Scott	22,900	Leake	21,400

Mississippi Livestock County Estimates, 2009-2010

County	January 1					
	All Cattle and Calves		Beef Cows		Milk Cows	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	Number					
Coahoma	1,000					
Tallahatchie	6,000					
Other Counties	2,000					
District 10	9,000	9,000	*	5,500		
Benton	7,000					
Calhoun						
Desoto			4,500			
Grenada						
Lafayette		8,000		4,600		
Marshall	20,000	19,100	11,000	11,100		
Panola	18,500	18,300	10,000	9,800		
Tate		22,800		8,300		
Yalobusha	7,500	7,500	4,500			
Other Counties	62,000	36,300	29,000	24,600		
District 20	115,000	112,000	59,000	58,400	1,200	
Alcorn	8,000		5,000			
Itawamba	6,000	6,000	3,500	3,400		
Lee	13,500	13,800	8,500	8,700		
Pontotoc		13,200		6,400		
Prentiss		6,600		4,100		
Tippah			6,000			
Tishomingo	3,500	3,500	2,000	2,000		
Other Counties	40,000	28,900	17,000	17,600		
District 30	71,000	72,000	42,000	42,200	800	700
Yazoo	10,400					
Other Counties	2,600					
District 40	13,000	13,000	*	8,700		
Attala	10,000					
Carroll		17,500		10,100		
Choctaw	4,500					
Holmes	8,500		4,500			
Leake	21,000	21,400	13,000	13,300		
Madison		15,800		9,100		
Scott		22,900				
Webster	5,000	5,200	3,000	3,000		
Other Counties	81,000	50,200	53,500	39,700		
District 50	130,000	133,000	74,000	75,200	1,300	1,200
Clay	22,000	22,400				
Lowndes	9,500	9,600	5,000	5,300		
Monroe	18,000	18,600				
Neshoba	17,500	18,200	8,500	8,900		
Noxubee	18,000	18,300	7,500		600	
Oktibbeha	15,000	15,200	6,500	6,600		
Winston	10,000		6,000			
Other Counties	50,000	61,700	44,500	60,900	900	
District 60	160,000	164,000	78,000	81,700	1,500	1,400

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Livestock County Estimates, 2009-2010—Cont.

County	January 1					
	All Cattle and Calves		Beef Cows		Milk Cows	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	Number					
Adams	4,000		2,500			
Amite					1,100	
Claiborne	9,000		5,000			
Copiah	12,000	12,300		7,400		
Franklin	5,000		2,500			
Hinds	27,000	27,500	12,500	12,900	1,600	
Lincoln	22,500	22,600	7,000	7,100	1,350	1,200
Warren	3,000		2,000			
Wilkinson	8,500	8,700	6,000	6,200		
Other Counties	22,000	43,900	18,500	24,400	150	2,500
District 70	113,000	115,000	56,000	58,000	4,200	3,700
Covington	37,000	37,300	9,500			
Jefferson Davis				6,200		
Lamar	14,000		5,000			
Lawrence	12,000	12,100	7,500	7,700		
Marion	19,000	19,300	7,500	7,600	2,600	2,400
Pike	21,500	21,600	7,000		2,000	1,800
Smith		20,100		12,400		
Walthall	26,000	26,400	11,500	11,800	2,900	2,600
Other Counties	52,500	47,200	30,000	34,700	500	400
District 80	182,000	184,000	78,000	80,400	8,000	7,200
Clarke		6,500	4,000	4,200		
Forrest	5,500		3,000			
George	13,000	13,200	7,500	7,600		
Greene		8,100		4,500		
Hancock	7,000	6,900	4,500	4,600		
Harrison	4,000	4,100	2,000	2,100		
Jackson		9,100	4,500	4,500		
Jasper		12,400	6,500	6,600		
Jones	24,500	24,700	11,000	11,300	550	
Lauderdale	4,500	4,500	3,000	3,000		
Newton		18,200		10,400	950	
Pearl River	25,500		13,500			
Perry	6,500	6,400	4,000	3,900		
Stone	9,500	9,600	5,000	5,100		
Wayne		13,100		8,200		
Other Counties	67,000	31,200	22,500	16,900	500	
District 90	167,000	168,000	91,000	92,900	2,000	1,700
Other Districts			13,000			1,100
State Total	960,000	970,000	491,000	503,000	19,000	17,000

* Included in Other Districts.

United States Catfish: Average Prices and Ending Inventory, May 2009-2010

Item ¹	Sales Volume		Average Price ¹		Ending Inventory	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
Fresh						
Whole Fish	2,551	2,844	1.70	1.55	154	183
Fillets	3,864	3,720	3.23	3.25	435	402
Other	751	713	1.60	1.76	77	83
Total Fresh	7,166	7,277	2.51	2.44	666	668
Frozen						
Whole Fish	681	709	2.23	2.23	340	952
Fillets	7,793	7,766	2.98	2.99	7,381	6,845
Other	3,178	3,390	1.65	1.43	1,907	2,296
Total Frozen	11,652	11,865	2.57	2.50	9,628	10,093
Total Fresh & Frozen	18,818	19,142	2.55	2.48	10,294	10,761

¹ Gross value f.o.b. plant.

United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Received by Producers, United States, 2009-2010

Month	Round Weight Processed				Price Per Pound ¹	
	Monthly		Cumulative		2009	2010
	2009	2010	2009	2010		
1,000 Pounds				Dollars		
January	36,406	40,042	36,406	40,042	.810	.764
February	37,702	40,977	74,108	81,019	.770	.765
March	44,912	46,650	119,020	127,669	.773	.785
April ²	40,768	37,111	159,788	164,780	.763	.804
May	39,925	38,244	199,713	203,024	.762	.796
June	39,370		239,083		.763	
July	40,966		280,049		.771	
August	39,490		319,539		.769	
September	36,408		355,947		.772	
October	40,191		396,138		.768	
November	36,211		432,349		.765	
December	33,751		466,100		.763	

¹ Quantity processed by major processors and the prices received for fish delivered to the processing plant's door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

² Revised 2010 data only.

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight,
by Selected States and United States, April-May 2010**

State	Number Slaughtered		Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	April	May	April	May	April	May
	1,000 Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Pounds	
Alabama	88,848	88,432	491,696	492,564	5.53	5.57
Arkansas	83,052	79,492	473,478	452,951	5.70	5.70
Georgia	99,662	96,202	516,572	498,378	5.18	5.18
Kentucky	25,469	24,879	137,863	134,758	5.41	5.42
Louisiana	15,182	14,965	92,726	90,746	6.11	6.06
Mississippi	65,568	63,767	391,926	377,369	5.98	5.92
Missouri	34,598	32,774	162,300	155,303	4.69	4.74
North Carolina	58,738	58,551	419,756	415,978	7.15	7.10
South Carolina	23,325	24,293	156,891	154,854	6.45	6.37
Tennessee	24,251	23,516	123,728	122,337	5.10	5.20
Texas	54,949	54,900	306,445	313,435	5.58	5.71
Virginia	26,187	26,575	134,286	140,949	5.13	5.30
United States	714,534	705,038	4,059,727	4,027,206	5.68	5.71

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations,
by Selected States and United States, April-May 2010**

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			Carcass and Parts		Percent ²	
	April	May	April	May	April	May
	1,000 Head		1,000 Pounds		Percent	
Alabama	367,880	367,054	2,452	2,458	0.66	0.67
Arkansas	349,076	334,407	3,486	3,137	0.99	0.93
Georgia	391,527	374,525	2,604	2,262	0.66	0.60
Kentucky	100,217	98,397	525	387	0.52	0.39
Louisiana	68,921	66,816	320	314	0.46	0.47
Mississippi	300,408	291,741	1,764	1,730	0.58	0.59
Missouri	119,260	114,422	938	1,042	0.78	0.90
North Carolina	325,987	325,597	3,071	3,004	0.93	0.91
South Carolina	118,392	116,110	896	818	0.75	0.70
Tennessee	89,725	88,843	660	654	0.73	0.73
Texas	238,988	244,264	1,605	1,655	0.67	0.67
Virginia	94,268	98,803	752	781	0.79	0.78
United States	3,038,227	3,013,315	24,089	23,454	0.79	0.77

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

Mississippi and United States Price Highlights, May 2010 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	May 2009 Entire Month		April 2010 Entire Month		May 2010 Mid Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Dollars							
Corn	bu	---	3.96	---	3.41	---	3.41
Cotton, Upland	lb	.449	.449	.649	.662	.656 ¹	.643 ¹
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	5.98	---	5.39	---	5.31
Soybeans	bu	10.20	10.70	8.85	9.47	8.70	9.28
Winter Wheat	bu	---	5.52	---	4.19	---	4.10
Rice, All	cwt	---	14.60	---	13.80	---	14.10
All Milk	cwt	---	11.60	---	14.60	---	15.00
Fluid	cwt	---	11.60	---	14.60	---	15.00
Manufacturing	cwt	---	10.60	---	13.30	---	13.50
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	83.20	---	95.70	---	96.50
Cows	cwt	---	48.80	---	57.50	---	59.50
Calves	cwt	---	111.00	---	122.00	---	123.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	87.70	---	101.00	---	101.00
All Hogs	cwt	---	44.60	---	56.50	---	62.30
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	44.60	---	56.60	---	62.50
Sows	cwt	---	43.30	---	53.20	---	58.80
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.490	---	.480	---	.510
Market Eggs	doz	.370 ²	.418 ²	---	.599 ²	---	.441

--- Estimates not made.

¹ Based on sales during the first half of the month.

² Mid-month price.